

REMARKS

The Office action mailed on the 13th of July (Paper No. 11) has been carefully considered. Claims 1 thru 49 are pending in the application. Re-examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested.

Status Of The Claims

Claims 1 through 49 are pending. No claims is amended by this Paper.

Oath/Declaration

The Examiner's withdrawal of the objection to the Declaration is noted with appreciation.

Priority

The Examiner has raised a question of priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) and § 120. The reason for this issue is unclear, except that the Examiner asserts that "the identity of the prior application is unclear." It suffices to note that Disclosure Document identified should, pursuant to § 1706 of the *Manual Patent Examining Procedure*, have been retained by the Office. If copies of the Disclosure Document has not been placed in the prosecution history, the Examiner is respectfully requested to request a copy of each of the Disclosure Document, in accordance with the procedures set forth in the *Manual*, in view of Applicant's citation of the Disclosure Document in a paper separate from the Disclosure Document.